

ABSTRACT: FFY 2008 ANNUAL SYNAR REPORT

Purpose of Synar Survey: To randomly survey licensed tobacco retailers across North Dakota checking compliance with laws that prohibit the sale of tobacco products to minors. ***This is not an enforcement activity***; it is merely a check on compliance.

of Years Synar Survey Has Been Conducted: 11

Who Has to Comply with Synar: All 50 States and 9 Jurisdictions

	2007	2006	2005
Tobacco Retailer Violation Rate	5.8%	8.1%	7.8%
# of Attempts by Minors to Purchase Tobacco	277	221	219
# of Successful Attempts by Minors to Purchase Tobacco	16	18	17
# of Counties in which Successful Attempts Were Made	10	14	13

North Dakota

Noncompliance Rate prior to 2000: Over 50%

Noncompliance Rate in 2001: 16.8%

Noncompliance Rate for 2002-2007: Less than 10%

Nationwide

Noncompliance Rate prior to Implementation of Synar: 60-90%

Noncompliance Rate in 1997 (first year of Synar Survey): 40%

Noncompliance Rate in 2006: 11%

The Synar Amendment requires that States maintain a noncompliance rate at or below 20%, or they could lose up to 40% of SAPT Block Grant funding.

of States at or below 20%: 50

of States at or below 10%: 30

Amount of Block Grand Funding **ND** Receives: \$5.1 million